

REMARKS

This is responsive to the outstanding Office Action issued November 12, 2004. Claims 1-23 were pending in the application. Claim 1 was allowed and claims 2-23 were rejected. With this response, claims 2, 3, and 10 have been canceled, claims 1, 3-23 and new claim 35 has been added.

Claim 35 is the limitations set forth in the reasons for allowance. Applicant agrees such limitations do make a claim allowable. Applicant has not considered and therefore does not agree that such limitations must be present for the claim to be allowable. For instance, other limitations or some, but not all, of the limitations could likewise make the claim allowable. Claims 4-9 and 11-23 have been made to depend on claim 35 instead of claim 2. Claims 2, 3, and 10 are canceled. For this reason all claims are believed to be allowable over the art.

Claim 1 was amended for clarity.

Claims 4-9, 11-23 and 35 have been reviewed and where appropriate amended for antecedent basis.

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 for having subject matter not found in the description. According to the MPEP, this is an inappropriate rejection as the claims are part of the disclosure. Claim 2 has been canceled and Applicant understands no need to place the content into the detailed description. Accordingly, the rejection has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 for having subject matter not found in the description. According to the MPEP, this is an inappropriate rejection as the


claims are part of the disclosure. Claim 10 has been canceled and Applicant understands no need to place the content into the detailed description. Accordingly, the rejection has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that, with the present restrictions to the claims all of the presently pending claims should be seen to be fully supported by the present specification and to define an invention patentable over all of the art of record, whether taken separately or in any combination. The issuance of a Notice of Allowance is seen to be in order and is solicited to be forthcoming.

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that any minor matters remain to be settled prior to the issuance of a Notice of Allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned attorney of record is respectfully invited to assure prompt resolution thereof. Counsel may be reached at: **(763) 493-4011**.

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